

Shipping.

Steamers.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & POOCHOW.
The Co's Steamship *Wai Shan*,
Capt. H. H. H. will be despatched for the above
Ports on FRIDAY, the 16th Instant, at
Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAFRANCE & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, December 15, 1898. 2379

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SOUBAYAN & SAMARANG.
The Co's Steamship *Prins Hendrik*,
Capt. J. G. Oudekerk, will be
despatched as above on
FRIDAY, the 16th Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, December 14, 1898. 2337

FOR SHANGHAI.

The Steamship *Prins Hendrik*,
Capt. J. G. Oudekerk, will be
despatched for the above on
SATURDAY, the 17th
Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
SIEMSEN & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, December 14, 1898. 2332

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

FOR SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

The Co's Steamship *Prins Hendrik*,
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SATURDAY, the 17th
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G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.
Hongkong, December 13, 1898. 2374

FOR SHANGHAI.

The Steamship *Prins Hendrik*,
Capt. J. G. Oudekerk, will be
despatched for the above on
THURSDAY, the 16th Instant, at Noon.

This steamer has superior Accommodation
for First and Second Class Passengers.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
SIEMSEN & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, December 14, 1898. 2383

FOR LONDON, VIA MANILA AND SUEZ CANAL.

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Hongkong, December 14, 1898. 2339

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

(ORDER MAIL CONTRACT WITH THE AUSTRIAN GOVERNMENT.)

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

The Co's Steamship *Prins Hendrik*,
Capt. J. G. Oudekerk, will be
despatched for the above on
THURSDAY, the 16th Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
SANDER, WIELER & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, December 14, 1898. 2380

Intimations.

WINDSOR HOTEL, HONGKONG.

THIS ESTABLISHMENT, situated in the
elegant Building known as "CON-
NAUGHTY HOUSE," offers First-Class Ac-
commodation to Residents and Travellers.
Passenger Elevator, from Entrance Hall
to each Floor, in charge of experienced
Attendant.

Favourable Arrangements made for
Families and for Monthly or Extended
Periods.

P. BOHM,
Proprietor and Manager.
Hongkong, September 27, 1897. 1927

For Nervous Exhaustion.

CHAPOTEAU'S PHOSPHOGLYCERATE OF LIME.

The modern restoration
of the nervous system.
For invalids, professional
men, teachers, students,
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It is really assimilated and
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PHOSPHOGLYCERATE WINE (CHAPOTEAU).

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Prepared by A. N. Wapner & Co., Chemists.

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Steamers.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND GALLUTTA.

The Steamship *Prins Hendrik*,
Capt. J. G. Oudekerk, will be
despatched for the above on
SATURDAY, the 17th
Instant, at 2 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, December 10, 1898. 2374

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

STEAM TO
SHANGHAI & KIAUCHAU.
The Co's Steamship *Prins Hendrik*,
Capt. J. G. Oudekerk, will be
despatched for the above on
SATURDAY, the 17th
Instant, at Noon.

For further Particulars, apply to
MELOERS & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, December 12, 1898. 2380

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND NAGASAKI.
(Passing through the INLAND SEA.)
The Co's Steamship *Prins Hendrik*,
Capt. J. G. Oudekerk, will be
despatched for the above on
SATURDAY, the 17th
Instant, at Noon.

For further Particulars, apply to
MELOERS & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, December 12, 1898. 2338

MUGOL-WASSER-ADRIATIK LINE.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

The Steamship *Prins Hendrik*,
Capt. J. G. Oudekerk, will be
despatched for the above on
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COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.
STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
COLOMBO, PONDICHERRY,
MADRAS, GALLUTTA, DIBOUTI,
EGYPT, MARSEILLE,
MEDITERRANEAN AND
BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON,
H. VIE, BORDEAUX,
ALSO

PORTS OF BRAZIL & RIVER PLATE,
ALSO

ON SATURDAY, the 17th Instant, at
Noon, the Company's Steamship
MELBOURNE, Capt. J. G. Oudekerk, with
MAILS, PASSENGERS, FREIGHT,
and CARGO, will leave this Port for MAR-
SEILLE, via Ports of Call, without
stoppage.

Cargo and Freight will be registered for
London as well as for Marseilles, and ac-
cepted in transit through Marseilles for the
principal Ports of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till
Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4
p.m. Specta and Passes until 3 p.m. on
the 16th Instant. (Passes are not to be
sent on board if they must be left at the
Agency's Office).

Contents and value of Packages are re-
quired.

For further particulars, apply at the
Company's Office.
G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.
Hongkong, December 8, 1898. 2321



STEAM FOR

STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA,
INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT,
MEDITERRANEAN PORTS,
PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

Through Bills of Lading issued for BATA-
VIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTIN-
ENTAL AND AMERICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship *CORONADO*, Capt.
F. N. TILMAN, carrying His Majesty's
Mails, will be despatched from this Port
for BOMBAY, Aden, on SATURDAY, the
16th Instant, at Noon, taking
Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.

Silk and Valuable, all Cargo for France,
and Tea for London (under arrangement)
will be transhipped at Colombo into a
steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and
London; other cargo for London, Aden, will
be conveyed via Bombay.

Parcels will be received at this Office
until 4 p.m. on the day before sailing. The
contents and value of all Packages are re-
quired.

Shippers are particularly requested to
note the terms and conditions of the Com-
pany's Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars, apply to
H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.
F. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office.
Hongkong, December 10, 1898. 2323

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR

SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN,
SUZ, PORT SAID,
NAPLES, GENOA,
ANTWERP, BREMEN & HAMBURG
PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK
SEA & BALTIC PORTS;
ALSO

LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON,
BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS,
GALVESTON & SOUTH AMERICAN
PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL
AT SOUHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS
AND FREIGHT.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills
of Lading for the principal places in
RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
Subject to Alteration.

Prins Hendrik (Wednesday) Jan. 4, 1899.
Prins Hendrik (Wednesday) February 1,
1899. Prins Hendrik (Wednesday) March 1,
1899.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 4th day of
January, 1899, at 9 a.m. the Com-
pany's S.S. PRINZ HEINRICH, Capt. J.
G. Oudekerk, with MAILS, PASSENGERS,
FREIGHT, and CARGO, will leave this Port
for MARSEILLE, via Ports of Call, without
stoppage.

Cargo and Freight will be registered for
London as well as for Marseilles, and ac-
cepted in transit through Marseilles for the
principal Ports of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till
Noon, on Monday, the 2nd January,
1899, and will be received at the
Agency's Office until Noon, on Tuesday,
the 3rd January. Contents of Packages
are required. No Parcel Receipts will be
signed for less than \$2.50, and Parcels
should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in
measurement.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation
and carries a Doctor and Stewardess.
Lines can be viewed on board.

For further Particulars, apply to
MELOERS & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, December 7, 1898. 2330

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor
Owners will be responsible for any
Debts contracted by the Officers or Crew of
this Steamer, during their stay in
Hongkong Harbour.

Dutchman, British, 4-masted, barque,
Capt. Wm. Smith, - - - - -
Howard D. Tabor, British ship, Capt.
D. W. Corning, - - - - -
Island, Hawaiian barque, Captain C. G.
McClure, - - - - -
W. H. Corning, American ship, Capt. J.
T. Erskine, - - - - -

Mails.

Mails.

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

TO SAN FRANCISCO, VIA INLAND
SEA OF JAPAN & HONOLULU.
Proposed Sailing from Hongkong.
Amoy Maru (via
Shanghai, Nagasaki,
Kobe, Inland Sea, Yo-
kohama & Honolulu) Saturday, Jan.
16, 1899.
Hankow Maru (via
Shanghai, Nagasaki,
Kobe, Inland Sea, Yo-
kohama & Honolulu) Tuesday, Feb. 7,
1899.
Nippon Maru (via
Shanghai, Nagasaki,
Kobe, Inland Sea, Yo-
kohama & Honolulu) Saturday, March
4, at Noon.

THE Steamship *AMERICA MARU* will
be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO,
via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE,
INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA AND HONO-
LULU, on SATURDAY, the 14th January,
1899, at Noon, taking Freight and Pas-
sengers for Japan, the United States, and
Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the
INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at
HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed
to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to En-
gland, France, and Germany by all trans-
atlantic lines of steamers, and to the prin-
cipal cities of the United States & Canada.
Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS
TO EUROPE have the choice of Overland
rail routes from San Francisco, including
the Southern Pacific, Central Pacific,
Union Pacific, Denver and Rio Grande,
and other direct connecting Rail-
roads, and from Chicago to destination the
choice of direct lines.

Special rates (first class only) are granted
to Missionaries, members of the Naval,
Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services,
to European officials in service of China
and Japan, and to Government officials
and their families.

Special Bills of Lading issued for trans-
portation to Yokohama, and other Japan
Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and
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Central and South America, by the Com-
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pany's connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4
p.m. on the day previous to sailing. Parcel
Packages will be received at the office until
4 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should
be marked to address in full, value of same
is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo
destined to points beyond San Francisco in
the United States should be sent to the
Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes,
addressed to the Collector of Customs at San
Francisco.

For further information as to Passage
and Freight, apply to the Agency of the
Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.
Hongkong, December 15, 1898. 2330

CALIFORNIA AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

IN CONNECTION WITH THE
ATONSON, TOPEKA AND SANTA FE
RAILROAD CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM
HONGKONG TO SAN DIEGO,
VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN
AND HONOLULU.

Taking Cargo and Passengers to JAPAN
PORTS AND HONOLULU, THE
UNITED STATES, MEXICO, ORE-
GON, AND SOUTH AMERICA, ETC.

S.S. Carlisle City, 3,000 Tons, Saturday,
14th January, at Noon.
S.S. Carmathenshire, 2,920 Tons, about
15th February.

THE Steamship *Carlisle City* will be
despatched for SAN DIEGO, via
NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA,
YOKOHAMA AND HONOLULU, on or
about SATURDAY, 15th January, 1899,
at Noon.

Through Bills of Lading issued to any
point in the United States.
Cargo will be received on board until 5
p.m. the day previous to sailing. Parcel
Packages will be received at the office until
the same time. All Parcels should be
marked to address in full. Value of same
is required.

Consular Invoices, to accompany Cargo
destined to points beyond San Diego, in
the United States should be sent to the
Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San
Diego.

For further information as to Freight or
Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, December 15, 1898. 2137

Intimations.

NEW VICTORIA HOTEL.

ROTISSERIE.

Meats a la Carte.

CHOPS, STEAKS, etc., etc., at any time, between 7.30 a.m. and 11.30 p.m.

Monthly Boarders at Moderate Rates.

Madar & Farmer, Proprietors.

Hongkong, September 9, 1898. 1789

S. H. TING, Surgeon Dentist.

No. 10, D'ARQUEL STREET.

TERMS VERY MODERATE.

Consultation Free.

Hongkong, April 6, 1895. 6

THE BACK DOOR.

THE Back Door, Articles entitled "THE
Back Door," which appeared
in the China Mail, have been re-
printed, and may be obtained in Pamphlet Form.

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and Passage, apply to the Agency of the
Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

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Hongkong, December 9, 1898. 2339

Mails.

Mails.

U. S. Mail Line.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP
COMPANY.
VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND
HONOLULU.
Proposed Sailing from Hongkong.
City of Rio de Janeiro
(via Shanghai, Nagasaki,
Kobe, Inland Sea, Yo-
kohama & Honolulu) Thursday, Dec. 22,
at Noon.
City of Peking (via
Shanghai, Nagasaki,
Kobe, Inland Sea, Yo-
kohama & Honolulu) Saturday, Jan. 21,
at Noon.
China (via Shanghai,
Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yo-
kohama & Honolulu) Thursday, Feb.
19, at Noon.

THE U. S. Mail S.S. CITY OF RIO DE
JANEIRO, will be despatched for
SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI,
NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA,
YOKOHAMA AND HONOLULU, on
THURSDAY, the 22nd December, at Noon,
taking Freight and Passengers for Japan,
the United States, and Europe.

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INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at
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THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS,
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ATLANTIC & OTHER CONNECTING
STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
Coptic (via Shanghai,
Nagasaki, Kobe,
Inland Sea, Yo-
kohama & Honolulu) Thursday, Jan. 5,
1899, at Noon.
Gaulic (via Shanghai,
Nagasaki, Kobe,
Inland Sea, Yo-
kohama & Honolulu) Tuesday, Jan. 31,
1899, at Noon.
Doric (via Shanghai,
Nagasaki, Kobe,
Inland Sea, Yo-
kohama & Honolulu) Saturday, February
20, at Noon.

THE Co's Steamship *COPTIC* will be
despatched for SAN FRANC

LOCAL AND GENERAL

WASH BUREAU - Rome, Nov. 4:

Arrivals.—**28** 1/2 Adran, 0; Guala, Malacca, 0;
Brisak, Laraca, 0;
9 Canton, Tientsin; 6 Indraman,
Samarang, 0; Soolow, Padang, 0;
Atrochus, Nurnam, Iles, 15.
STEWART DOWNS.—Nurnberg, Sakata,
Meying, Dec. 8; Chagay, 9; Cildanien,

Mails.

Imp. German Mail S. S. Prinz Reih-
oldrich, carrying the German Mail with
despatches from Berlin of the 14th Nov.,
left Singapore on Sunday, the 11th
Dec., at 9 p.m., and may be expected
here on or about Friday afternoon, the
17th, or Saturday morning, the 17th Dec.

P. M. S. S. Co.'s s. Belgic, with
the AMERICAN MAIL, left Yokohama on Sa-
turday, the 10th Dec., at daylight,
and may be expected here on or about
Monday, the 17th Dec.

P. M. S. S. Co.'s steamer Arctis, with
mails &c., from San Francisco to the
United States, has arrived at Yokohama,
on the 10th inst., and will leave for
Singapore on the 11th.

P. M. s. s. *Shantung*, with mails &c.,
left San Francisco for this port via
Japan Ports, on the 23rd Nov.
O. & C. Co.'s s. s. *Cuytic*, with mails
&c., left San Francisco for this port
via Honolulu, Yokohama, Inland Sea,
Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai, on the
26th Nov.
C. P. & R. Co.'s s. s. *Empress of China*
left Vancouver on Monday afternoon,
the 6th Dec.

Steamers Expected.

S. s. *Kangaroo* from New York, left
Singapore for this port on Saturday,
the 10th Dec., and is due here on 19
about the 17th Dec.

S. s. *Sulu ng*, from Calcutta and
Straits, left Singapore for this port 14
the 10th Dec., at 9 a.m.

S. S. Co.'s s. s. *Albatross*, from
Liverpool, left Singapore on the morn-
ing of 12th Dec., and may be expected
here on or about Saturday, the
17th Dec.

N. Y. K. s. s. *Yamashiro Maru* left
Thrup-day Island for this port on the
11th Dec., and is expected to arrive
here on the 21st Dec.

N. Y. K. s. s. *Fushikichi Maru* left

Des', and is expected to arrive here on the 19th Dec.

N. P. Co.'s a. s. *Monmouthshire* left for Hongkong, from Portland, Or., for Japan and Hongkong, on the 3rd Dec.

A. A. Linn Lloyd's a. s. *Vindobona* left Singapore for this port on the 14th Dec.

N. G. I. a. s. *Normida* left Bombay for this port on the 3rd Dec, and may be expected here on or about the 94th Dec.

N. P. Co.'s a. s. *Ningharu* has arrived at Yokohama from Portland, Or., and leaves for Kobe and Hongkong on the 15th Dec.

T. A. S. S. Co.'s a. s. *Manuatu*, from Sydney, &c., left Port Darwin on the 10th Dec, for Timor and Hongkong.

P. & O. Co.'s a. s. *Peahawur* left Bombay for this port on the afternoon of the 6th Dec.

N. P. Co.'s a. s. *Olympia* sailed from Tacoma, for Japan and Hongkong, on the 1st Dec.

N. P. Co.'s a. s. *Genoa* sailed from Tacoma, for Japan and Hongkong, on the 7th Dec.

Latest Arrivals

C. P. R. Co.'s str. *Empress* from Hongkong on 3rd November, arrived at Vancouver on Wednesday, the 14th Dec., at 1.30 p.m.

M. M. Co.'s str. *India*, with the next FRENCH MAIL, will leave Saigon on the morning of 18th Dec., at 6 o'clock, for this port.

REPRESENTATIVE named Nash died from small-pox at Singapore on the 6th inst.

M. S. *Archer* relieves the *Daphne* at Singapore. She goes to the Straits by way of Malacca.

Arrived at Weihaiwei on the 25th of November. A correspondent writes that the Weihaiwei contingent is experiencing bracing weather, with the thermometer at 50 degrees.

Messrs Kelly and Walsh, Ltd., have issued the 'Nautical Pocket Manual' for 1899, the twenty-fifth year of publication. The volume contains a large amount of

General Parsons, chief of the survey of the American Syndicate which is to construct the Grand Trunk Railway from Hankow to Canton, is making his preliminary survey of the line, accompanied by nine European engineers. If he meets with no serious opposition from the Hunanese, he expects to reach Canton by the beginning of January. Captain Rich, of the Chinese Navy Administration, likewise accompanies the General, on behalf of the Chinese Government.

Another column, we reproduce the gist of a letter from Li Hung Chang to the

Chinese statesman gives the Rothschilds some advice. It would be an interesting foot-note to history to see the advice Rothschilds gave to Lord Salisbury during the recent crisis in China, and to see a revelation of how far the policy of British Government has been regulated by the views of important financial institutions and individuals in 'the City.'

